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From:

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Oceanography Detachment Asheville

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IMPLEMENTATION OF STATION INFORMATION FILE (SIF)

Ref:

(a) NAVMETOCCOMIST 3140.1L of 15 Sep 2000

- 1. <u>Purpose</u>. To promulgate procedures for submitting the Station Information File (SIF) report to Fleet Numerical Meteorology and Oceanography Detachment (FLENUMMETOC DET) Asheville.
- 2. <u>Cancellation</u>. FNMODASHEVILLENOTE 3140 of 11 August 1997
- 3. <u>Background</u>. Documenting the type of meteorological observing equipment used by Navy and Marine Corps units/activities to collect and disseminate meteorological data, and the equipment location with respect to the point of observation, is a long established practice and requires annual verification. Over the years, designated Navy and Marine Corps weather observing units have forwarded standard forms to FLENUMMETOC DET Asheville, which preserves records of each station's instrumentation history.
- 4. <u>Discussion</u>. Reference (a), paragraph 5.7.3, requires each meteorological unit (ashore and afloat) to prepare and submit the Station Information File (SIF), NAVMETOCCOM Form 3140-1DF, not later than 25 January annually, and any time the instrumentation or its location is changed. COMNAVMETOCCOM tasked this activity to implement revised report submission procedures that eliminate the stocking of paper forms with a replacement software application that can be rapidly updated.

5. Action.

a. A user's guide, along with a blank SIF form in "Word" format, are available on the FLENUMMETOC DET Asheville home page, located in the observer support section. Users can view the latest annual SIF submitted for their station. This version can be downloaded, edited, and returned to FLENUMMETOC DET Asheville via e-mail. FLENUMMETOC DET Asheville homepage: http://navy.ncdc.noaa.gov

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- b. Submission of the SIF report is also applicable to remote shore sites having an Automated Surface Observing System (ASOS) installation. Designated NAVMETOCCOM and USMC activities, who have operational support responsibilities for one or more remote activities with an ASOS installation in their area of responsibility (AOR), shall submit the report.
- c. Questions related to the preparation or submission of the Station Information File may be directed to Mr. Vin Stanton, Commercial (828) 252-7865, facsimile (828) 271-4672, or email: vin.stanton@noaa.gov with a courtesy copy to navy.fnmod@noaa.gov
- 6. <u>Cancellation Contingency</u>. Upon the issuance of the next revised edition.

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